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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Rural Veterans Transportation Access Initiative in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is The Veterans Integration Centers, located at 2701 Mulberry St SE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87106.

The funding would be used to support transportation services that connect rural veterans across New Mexico to essential services, including medical appointments, housing support, and workforce opportunities.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses transportation barriers faced by rural veterans, improves access to healthcare and essential services, and supports overall stability and community participation.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by chapter 53 of title 49 of the United States Code, which authorizes federal public transportation assistance, including programs that support mobility management, coordinated transportation services, and improved access to essential services for seniors, individuals with disabilities, and low-income populations. The Statewide Veteran Transportation Access Initiative aligns with these objectives by expanding transportation options for rural, disabled, and low-income veterans to access healthcare, housing, and other critical services.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

